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CONDITIONS RESULTING FROM
INJURY TO THE CORNEAL NERVE
AFTER LASIK AND OTHER OCULAR
SURGERIES OR TRAUMA

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Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Amendment to the Specification is reflected in the amendment which begins on page 2 of this paper.

There are no **Amendments to the Claims**.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.